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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2006 in the above-identified Application together with a Request For a Continued Examination. The date for response is December 14, 2006, accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.